

JEFFCO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 17, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:

Strikethrough indicates committee member NOT in attendance

Emily Adams	Jessica Gregg	Crystal Marine
Greg Aigner	Quentin Griffin	Jennifer Miller
Andrea Aikin	Michelle Grove	Geneva Moore
David Alex	Corky Guy	Carrie Mumma
Denise Alleman	Harry Tasha	Keri Murphy
Rob Applegate	Evie Hudak	Victoria Myles King
Elizabeth Armstrong	Heather Hyland	Therese Rednor
Skylar Artes	Richard Kalasky	Diego Rodriguez
Jeanine Baird	Elizabeth Kantner	Cheryl Secorski
Jeff Baucum	Erin Kenworthy	Karen Sweeney
Kim Bierbrauer	Michelle Kuenzler	Maegen Tracy
Parker Brown	Valerie Leal	Kaylie Weese
Leslie Dennis	Orin Levy	Sari Weichbrodt
Carsten Engebretsen	Anita Lewis	Caroline Zimmerman
Caitlin Fitzpatrick	Austin Long	
Dawn Fritz	Emily Lubkert	
Staff Liaisons		
*Dave Weiss		
*Tara Pena		

Guests:

Dr. Kym LeBlanc-Esparza, Deputy Superintendent
Greece Butte, Executive Assistant to Tara Peña, Chief of Family & Community Partnerships

Agenda:

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- Welcome and Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - High School Reimagined Update
 - Subcommittee Updates
 - Update from FSCP: Artic Area Meetings & DAC Open Houses
 - Open discussion
 - Adjournment
 - Meeting of AARs with FSCP Subcommittee

Actions:

Action	Approval of Agenda and Minutes Tonight's agenda was approved by unanimous consent. Minutes from the September 19, 2023 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
Action	Adjournment DAC adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:07 p.m.

Notes:

Information	Welcome and Introductions Therese Rednor, DAC Chair welcomed members to the meeting and introduced guests.
Information	High School Reimagined Update by Dr. Kym LeBlanc-Esparza Dr. Kym started this conversation in another district 12 years ago. Report cards look much the same as several generations ago. There is a focus on what we want a Jeffco graduates resume to look like. Jeffco has a goal of a CTE pathway in every high school. 1500 students in CTE, with 1200 on the waiting list. Electives are consistently what students say they are most excited about, but the first to get cut with budget reductions. Students also report that with so few slots for electives, they have to be selective about their choices. A steering committee engaged in three day stakeholder meeting. They found that durable skills crossover into academic, workforce, and personal skills. Draft learner goals updated to reflect core academic skills, life readiness skills, and workforce skills. One way to give students more CTE experience and more opportunity to take electives is to combine complementary classes, like the Geometry and Construction class currently on offer. The progress of integrating classes is called compacting. Q: Is there a budget for this effort? A: Some elements will have their own budget, and some elements do not have associated costs, but there is no High School Reimagined Budget. Funds may be differently allocated but not increased. Q: Have you visited charter schools who may already be implementing aspects of this plan? A: Yes, we have reached out and interviewed many school administrators to get their input. Q: How will we measure if the students are obtaining the skills identified in the presentation? A: Testing will give us some answers, and feedback from the community will tell us if they are graduating with the skills required. Q: What is your timeframe for implementation? A: 3-5 years to do well. Materials: HS Reimagined for DAC
Action	Approval of Agenda and Minutes A quorum was established. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent. Minutes from the September 19, 2023 meeting were approved by unanimous consent. Materials: 2023.09.19_DAC Meeting Minutes
Information	Subcommittee Updates by Dave Weiss and Jeff Baucum

	<p>DUIP update: DUIP presented to the Board of Education and accepted. It is a living document, and planning will start again in January.</p> <p>Charter update: no renewals will be evaluated this year due to disagreement about applicable policy. One new application is expected for DAC evaluation in the first quarter of 2024.</p> <p>No Budget Update due to illness.</p> <p>FSCP: Reviewed survey results which are based on percentiles and favorability of responses, and norm referenced questions. Results can be viewed by school. Specific questions can be reviewed as well. Jeffco ranked 20th-39th percentile nationally for favorability of responses nationally. This year's survey is being planned, and AARs will be asked to encourage SACs to respond.</p> <p>Q: Is Panorama conducting the survey again? A: Yes, because it enables us to compare results nationally and year over year. Q: Commenter had very different experiences between students but was only asked to complete the survey for one student. A: The survey may be completed more than once, and suggestions are welcome for how to phrase that to respondents.</p> <p>Materials: Family-School Relationships 2023 Presentation</p>
Information	<p>Update from FSCP: Artic Area Meetings & DAC Open Houses by Evie Hudak</p> <p>The FSCP was asked to facilitate community conversations with the board members who are continuing after November's election. The format will be an open house for the SACs in their districts. The board members will provide dates. AARs to reach out to SACs to invite them.</p>
Information	<p>Open Discussion</p> <p>Reminder of the opportunity to submit questions or provide feedback via the QR code onscreen.</p>
Information & Action	<p>Closure Discussion & Adjournment</p> <p>This DAC meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.</p>
Information	<p>Meeting of AARs with FSCP Subcommittee by Carsten Engebretsen</p> <p>Open solicitation of AAR feedback and questions. Q: How do you encourage AA meeting participation? A: Offering food or meeting at a restaurant is helpful. Q: Is there a consistent time for SAC meetings that encourages more participation? A: No, it is specific to each school. Hybrid or online meetings and a consistent schedule reliably get better participation. It also helps for principals or SAC Chairs to reach out personally to extend invitations. Family engagement is mostly experienced as passive. It is helpful to give families an active ways to participate including National Standards for Family-School Partnerships. A suggestion was made to give SAC Chairs a recommended calendar for when topics like budget and SAC survey would best complement board discussions, etc.</p>